



Meet the new addition to our fleet!

We have recently purchased a pool car to support the Medical Car Service in taking clients to and from medical appointments. This vehicle is fully wheelchair accessible. Drivers will undergo specialist training in the use of this vehicle and we will also have our Age Concern signage applied. Watch out for it out on the roads very soon!



Ever Wondered What Happens Inside the Heathfield Men's Shed?

The Heathfield Men's Shed is more than just a place to saw wood; it's a vital social and creative hub for men in our community.

Whether you're looking to get back into a craft or just looking for some great company, we'd love to meet you.

We are currently looking for new members who meet the following:

- Age: 60 or over
- Location: Living in the TN21 postcode area

We offer two ways to get involved:

1. Workshop Member: For those who want to get "hands-on" with tools and machinery.
2. Social Member: For those who want to skip the sawdust but join us for social events and lend a hand at community gatherings.

If you're interested, please reach out to our Membership Secretary, Nic:

- Phone: 07850 992059
- Email: shed@ageconcernheathfield.org.uk

We look forward to seeing you there!



Unwanted Callers?

Did you know? While cold calling itself is allowed, traders must respect 'NO COLD CALLERS' notices – it is against the law if they don't!

We have a supply of the above stickers which, if displayed in a prominent window or on the front door of your house, may help to dissuade cold callers from knocking on your door.

If you would like to have one, please contact us on **01435 866960**

Rushlake Green Village Players



We have been invited to attend the dress rehearsal of the next Rushlake Green Village Players' production 'Cranford'.

The play is set in the 1830's and is a charming story of village life in that era.

This event will take place on **Sunday 10th May 2026, starting at 2.30pm.**

Age Concern will be providing minibus transport and refreshments will be served during the interval. A donation of £5 is requested to cover the cost of both the transport and the refreshments.

Please ring **01435 866960** to book a place

August Afternoon Tea



We shall once again be providing our clients with an afternoon tea at Rushlake Green Village Hall on **Monday 10th August 2.00-4.00pm.**

The cost of the tea will be £5, payable on the door, to include transport if required.

To book a place please ring **01456 866960**

Spring/Summer Trips and Lunch Programme 2026

Due to the high demand for all of our trips, and the pressure this puts on our Volunteers, we have changed the way in which we organise our trips programme. From January 2026, we will offer our popular trip to Hilliers Garden Centre, plus one other venue to visit each month. These trips will be repeated on different dates and days of the week, throughout the month, and it is hoped that this will enable everyone who wants to go, to get a place. We will ask you to book the trips and state which date (or dates if you can be flexible) you would prefer. We will review the success of this change, and would welcome any comments you may have.

April 2026

Tuesday 7 th	Union Lunch	11.00-15.00
Monday 13 th Tuesday 14 th	Hilliers Garden Centre	10.30-15.30
Wednesday 15 th	Country Lunches	11.00-15.00
Friday 17 th Friday 24 th Monday 27 th	De La Warr Pavilion, Bexhill	10.30-15.30
Tuesday 21 st	Union Lunch	11.00-15.00
Wednesday 22 nd	Pashley Manor Tulip Festival	10.30-15.00 (dependent on weather)
Wednesday 29 th	Country Lunches	11.00-15.00

May 2026

Tuesday 5 th	Union Lunch	11.00-15.00
Friday 8 th Monday 18 th	Beacon Centre shopping	10.30- 15.30
Sunday 10 th	Rushlake Green Village Players	13.30-17.00
Tuesday 11 th	Hilliers Garden Centre	10.30-15.30
Wednesday 13 th	Country Lunches	11.00-15.00
Tuesday 19 th	Union Lunch	11.00-15.00
Wednesday 27 th	Country Lunches	11.00-15.00

June 2026

Tuesday 2 nd	Union Lunch	11.00-15.00
Wednesday 3 rd	The Orangery, Ashburnham Place	10.30-14.00
Friday 26 th	Place	13.30-16.30
Monday 8 th Tuesday 9 th	Hilliers Garden Centre	10.30-15.30
Wednesday 10 th	Country Lunches	11.00-15.00
Friday 12 th	Medway River Boat Trip	11.00-18.00
Tuesday 16 th	Union Lunch	11.00-15.00
Wednesday 17 th	Pashley Manor Rose Festival	10.30-15.00 (dependent on weather)
Wednesday 24 th	Country Lunches	11.00-15.00

July 2026

Tuesday 7 th	Union Lunch	11.00-15.00
Friday 10 th Wednesday 22 nd	Sovereign Harbour	10.30-16.00
Monday 13 th	Hilliers Garden Centre	10.30-15.30
Wednesday 15 th	Country Lunches	11.00-15.00
Friday 17 th	Medway River Boat trip	11.00-18.00
Tuesday 21 st	Union Lunch	11.00-15.00
Wednesday 29 th	Country Lunches	11.00-15.00

Shopping Bus

Every Thursday morning, we operate buses to Heathfield High Street for clients to go shopping. We currently have spaces available, so if you would like to book a space, please phone: **01435 866960**

Useful Numbers

Medical Car Service	01435 515090
Minibus Service	01435 866960
Country Lunches	Julie Landline: 01435 863690 Julie Mobile: 07834 782366
Union Church Lunch	01435 867195

Medical Car Service – Help Required

We have recently reviewed our services and the fact that we are receiving requests for help by lots of elderly people. We want to help as many as we can, but unfortunately, we only have a limited number of Volunteers, so sometimes we are unable to provide a driver. If you know anyone who could spare a few hours each month to drive locally it would really help us to cover more requests.

Volunteers must have a full, clean licence and are paid 45p per mile plus expenses.

Please contact us on **01435 866960** if you can offer any help.

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